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In re application of: YI-Lung Cheng

Examiner: Thanh T. Nguyen

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Group Art Unit: 2813

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For: **METHOD FOR FORMING A BORDERLESS CONTACT OPENING FEATURING A COMPOSITE TRI-LAYER ETCH STOP MATERIAL**

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL – EXPEDITED PROCEDURE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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SECOND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 26, 2005

Commissioner:

Responsive to the final Office Action dated October 26, 2005, the Advisory Action mailed January 9, 2006, and the telephone conversation and e-mail communications with Examiner Nguyen that occurred on January 17-18, 2006, please re-examine and reconsider the above-identified application according to the amendments and remarks provided.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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